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## Industry Agrees To Discuss C-o-l

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THE decision of the Histadrut to demand from employees an increase in the cost-of-living allowance was a difficult one to reach. The burden agreement between the Histadrut and the Manufacturers' Association does not in fact require any increase at the present time, for the rise in the cost-of-living index falls short by a small fraction of the requisite two per cent over the last six months or by three per cent since the last adjustment in the allowance.

Yet the index has increased by very nearly three per cent — by the equivalent of 7.74 points of the old index which is only 0.13 points short of the 7.87-point rise that would automatically entitle employed persons to receive — and require the employers to pay — the wage increase in question. The Histadrut plainly feels that the workers' pay has lagged behind prices for too long; there is also the pressure of Mapam and Abud Ha'avoda to consider. There are also indications that the rapid acceptance of the proposal by Mapai members of the Government indicates that thing will be harder with such groups as the teachers, who seek general pay rises. On balance this increase will cost less.

With all doubt, the new cost-of-living agreement of January 1959 loosened the link between wages and prices quite appreciably. Wages were to be adjusted every six months instead of every three months and only if prices went up by almost three times as many points as were required under the former agreement. This meant that employees were prepared to tolerate a certain loss in their real wages in order to avoid pressing too closely on the inflationary spiral.

The monetary situation as reflected in the cost-of-living index has exploited this tolerance to the maximum, and it is understandable that the lowest-paid category of worker should claim compensation for higher prices. The rise has reduced their purchasing power by almost three per cent, and redress is being withheld on the (to them) academic ground that the rise is not a fraction of one per cent greater.

On the other hand consumption per person has gone up by a good 50 per cent since 1950, and Mr. Becker has more than once spoken with pride of the steady increase in real wages. Histadrut leaders emphasized last week that the adaptation of wages to prices is needed primarily for those workers who have not secured adjustments in their wage-scales nor gone up in grade nor earned augmented premiums for productivity — unskilled workers, persons in temporary employment, workless settlers in the development areas, townships that live on seasonal employment in agriculture and relief projects. For them the loss of IL 5 or IL 6 a month is a deprivation.

In the circumstances it would be legitimate to mitigate inflationary tendencies by sharing the burden of these price rises. If the cost-of-living index had gone up sufficiently to require the automatic payment of wage increases, there would be no disputing the obligation that all have to adjust up to IL 6 a month to be adapted upwards in accordance with the wage contract.

An independent factor that has prevailed, however, is the question may legitimately be asked whether those employees that have enjoyed a betterment (however well-earned) in their salaries at the expense of other elements in the economy such as the farmers — should also be granted an adjustment from the government. In the absence of the allowances? Would it not be reasonable for compensation to all those whose wage increases are less than IL 6 a month by a special wage rise for them only?

The better-paid employees would sacrifice that small percentage of purchasing power until such time as their rates reached the full and universal three per cent. The result would be to the advantage of the group that also will benefit from a rise in the minimum wage that we have agreed for the next few years.

## Cairo Creates Storm Over Iran Ties with Israel

TEL AVIV. — Less than 24 hours after declaring that it would refuse even to consider discussing the possibility of paying an additional cost-of-living allowance, the Israel Manufacturers' Association yesterday met with the Histadrut and agreed to open negotiations tomorrow evening.

The agreement was reached at a meeting between Mr. Amnon Haussmann, Acting General Secretary of the Histadrut and Head of its Trade Union Department, and Mr. Yosef Haussmann, Director of the Association's Labour Department.

Mr. Becker officially informed Mr. Haussmann of the Histadrut's decision to demand payment of the allowance retroactive to July 15 and presented him with the Histadrut's calculation. Mr. Haussmann reiterated to Mr. Becker the Association's opposition to paying.

It is understood that the Histadrut will oppose passing

**Mapai Teachers' Body  
Leads Histadrut Leaders**

The Mapai committee on education and teachers' salaries headed by the Prime Minister met on Monday in Jerusalem and heard Histadrut representatives reiterate their opposition to any deviation from the findings of the Gusi Committee. The *Jerusalem Post* learned last night.

The Histadrut leaders pointed out that the federation would strongly oppose any changes in the present overall wage policy until the collective agreements with the country's employers run out in December.

The Mapai committee includes Mr. Avraham Eban, who wanted to hear the Minister of Education, Mr. Azael, Mr. Aharon Becker, and Mr. Zeev Haring of the Histadrut; and Mr. Shalom Levin, Secretary of the Teachers' Union.

**Dr. Bury Leaves For  
Malagasy Celebrations**

TESSA AIRPORT. — Dr. Yosef Bury, Minister of Social Welfare, left yesterday to represent Israel at the independence ceremonies of the Malagasy Republic at Tananarive later this week. He carried with him messages from President Ben Gurion and Prime Minister Ben-Gurion to the island republic's head of state and head of Government.

Mr. Eltan Ruppin, Ambassador-Designate to the new republic, also left for Tananarive yesterday.

**G.O.P. Platform C'ttee Flouts  
Nixon-Rockefeller Compromise**

CHICAGO. (UPI). — The "unity" 1960 Republican convention opened yesterday in unexpected conflict over civil rights and foreign policy as Vice-President Richard Nixon, assured of the presidential nomination, flew from Washington to what had become a party battle ground.

Conservative Republicans, hurt and angered by Mr. Nixon's peace pact with Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, sparked a platform committee revolt which scuttled the liberal civil rights plank proposed by the two leaders. The 103-member committee, in an all-night session, also ignored the Nixon-Rockefeller recommendations on foreign policy.

At the convention opened both Mr. Nixon and Mr. Rockefeller prepared to lead a floor fight to regain their ground on the two issues.

Mr. Nixon told a press conference on his arrival here this afternoon that the civil rights plank "is unsatisfactory" as far as he is concerned. He said he will support the plank if the sitting-in by Negroes at general store lunch-counters hitherto exclusively white in certain Southern towns.

The platform committee chairman, Charles Percy, described the disputed civil rights plank as a "compromise" that was developed by the Nixon-Rockefeller forces and the moderate one favored by the Southern-led group.

Mr. Rockefeller reiterated his determination to "fight on the floor if necessary" to get a strong civil rights plank. In view of the platform committee's decision, he changed his plan to attend the opening convention session and remained at his hotel suite.

On Sunday Governor Rockefeller said in a television interview that the proposed Republican defense plank "was not fair in respect to those who are not Negroes." The New York governor also said he was concerned about where the U.S. was heading both domestically and in relation to the rest of the world.

"Then you would like to see us to increase these obligations?" he asked. "That I could not stand as far as the Pacific Government is concerned. The U.N. might very easily cause us to fall apart altogether."

The Arab world was up in arms yesterday over what it claimed Iran's decision to extend diplomatic recognition to Israel.

Based themselves on a remark by the Shah at a press conference on Saturday to the effect that his Government had no intention of withdrawing its recognition of Israel, attended many days ago by the Arab League Council yesterday organized its condemnation of "Israel's official recognition of Israel." The question is thought to have been put by an Arab correspondent with the intention of embarrassing the Persian Government which has for several years maintained various commercial relations with Israel although there is no exchange of diplomats.

The eight ambassadors delegations to the Council adopted a resolution urging their foreign ministers to adopt a unified stand towards Iran. The Ministers will give priority to discussing Iran's "unfriendly move" at a Council meeting in Belgrade on August 1.

The U.A.R. yesterday instructed its Ambassador in Teheran to return home for consultations.

The Cairo newspaper "Al Ahram" said yesterday that the U.A.R. "took a very grave view" of the Shah's attitude, which "cannot be tolerated."

**Shah is Thief**

Turning to personal abuse of the Iranian monarch, "Al Ahram" said he had "decided to resign as a step towards winning the favor of the West so that he might receive more aid and then smuggle those amounts in aid outside the country and have them placed in his accounts with Swiss banks."

Another of the U.A.R. Government's newspapers, "Al Akhbar," said the decision was "dictated by imperialism which acts as the Shah's bodyguard."

Pointing out that some of the signatories of the Baghdad Pact, the Shah survived as a ruler while Nuri Said al-Iraq and Adnan Menderes of Turkey had gone, the paper commented: "However, the day of reckoning is not distant."

In Beirut, outgoing Premier Ahmed Da'uk told reporters that the Lebanon and other Arab countries would "possibly" take action to express their disapproval of Persia's recognition of Israel.

The Jordan paper "El Jadid" said the Amman Government was studying developments with regard to Iran with some concern. A number of Jordan personalities will return their Iranian decorations to Teheran as a gesture of protest, it said.

In Karachi, the Pakistan Foreign Minister, Mr. Mansur Kadir, said Persia's recognition of Israel would "have no influence on Pakistan's relations with Israel."

Mr. Kadir said the decision of Pakistani boys scouts to boycott a recent jamboree in Persia because Israeli scouts had been invited was taken on the instructions of the Pakistan Government. "We have explained our embarrassment to the host country," he said.

**Rosencie Meeting With  
Argentine Officials**

SHAHRIAR ROSENCE, Legal Advisor to the Foreign Ministry, continues to maintain contact with the Argentine Authorities. The Foreign Ministry spokesman said yesterday in an interview.

It is understood that Mr. Rosencie is to attempt to work out a mutually acceptable formula with his Argentine colleagues in Buenos Aires, which could bring to a final settlement of the dispute over the Richmann affair. It is understood that Mr. Rosencie will go to Argentina with the Foreign Minister.

The Israeli Ambassador to Argentina, Mr. Arieh Levi, who last Friday was declared persona non grata, is to leave for home today.

**Lunch Counter Service  
For Negroes in South**

NORFOLK, Virginia (AP). — Negroes and without prior announcement, lunch counters in three department stores have been opened to Negroes in this southern U.S. Atlantic coast city. The downtown lunch-counters were scenes of repeated sit-down strikes by students in the spring.

A group of Negro clergymen spread the word in their congregations that Negroes will be served.

**U.K. Still Won't  
Back Peking for UN**

LONDON (UPI). — The Government yesterday refused to nominate Communist China's delegation to the United Nations.

Foreign Secretary Sir Edward Heath told Parliament he was not in a position to do so much as to indicate the present time. One has to have regard to the facts of the situation and the views of a large number of other friendly governments.

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**CANADA ANNOUNCES  
ADHERENCE TO OPEC**

OTTAWA (Reuters). — A formal announcement was made in the House of Commons yesterday that Canada intends to join the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) which is to replace the mainly European OPEC.

## Dag to Fly to Brussels For Talks on Katanga

### Debre Says Belgium Right to Send Army

PARIS (AP). — Premier Michel Debre, in a speech at the conclusion of the French National Assembly, said yesterday that Belgium was right in sending troops to aid threatened settlers in the Congo.

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**Invited to Elisabethville**

BRUSSELS. — U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold, is to fly to Brussels tomorrow, it was officially announced here. He is scheduled to be in Leopoldville in the Congo, via Kinshasa.

A Belgian Foreign Affairs spokesman said the Foreign Minister, General Carl Van Houtte, as before, would travel by road to Leopoldville.

There is a report quoting General Van Houtte, as before, that Debre would have to travel by road to Leopoldville.

The Congo's biggest political problem — what to do about the accession of the mineral-rich Katanga Province — is apparently awaiting M. Hammarskjold's arrival.

General Van Houtte denied yesterday that he had spoken of "evicting Belgian forces from Katanga, from which Provincial forces have been withdrawn."

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**Lloyd: Belgians Should  
Stay Till It's Quiet**

LONDON (Reuters). — Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd, said yesterday he thought Belgian troops should withdraw from areas where the U.N. had established law and order in the Congo, "but not on the off-chance that they might be able to do so all over the country."

"I think they must wait for gradual restoration," he told the House of Commons.

In a speech to Katanga, Mr. Lloyd told a London audience: "It is our hope that the Congo will remain a military state because of the wealth of Katanga and its importance to the rest of the Congo."

"This is an internal matter and it would be a very grave mistake to encourage U.N. troops to try to settle it."

In Brussels Prime Minister Gaston Eyskens reacted

**Bulawayo Mob Wreck Ships**

BULAWAYO, Rhodesia (Reuters). — Violence flared again in Bulawayo's African township, where the body was handed over to the U.S. Consul. The plane, which had taken off from a British aircraft, was brought down "far from Soviet territorial waters" after a Soviet fighter aircraft forced it to land.

The plane crashed into a Rhodesian army truck and set fire to the vehicle. Captain Palm, produced maps and charts which he said showed the plane's intended and actual course.

He called for an investigation by a commission made up of Rhodesians designated mainly by Persia, and U.S. officials, and a third government or authority acceptable to both. This body should inspect the remains of the aircraft and interrogate survivors and other witnesses. Alternatively the question should go to the International Court of Justice.

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**Bands Attack Chiefs  
At Nyasaland Follies**

LONDON (AP). — A conference aimed at negotiating the terms of truce in Nyasaland opened yesterday with a public clash between rival African leaders.

Dr. Hastings Banda, fiery Nationalist leader in the British-held territory, arrived on Friday to represent the chief of the Chichewa people.

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## Social & Personal

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The Minister of Social Welfare, Mr. H. M. Shapiro, and Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Etzot World Academy for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem, was appointed of Rabbi Herbert Goldstein of New York City as Chancellor of the World Academy.

The British Ambassador and Mrs. Hancock visited J.N.P. reclamation and afforestation project in the Jerusalem Corridor. The group was accompanied by Mr. Joseph Weitz, Director of the K.K.L. Land and Afforestation Division.

The Panamanian Minister, Mr. Adolfo Arias Espinosa, yesterday presented a copy of his letters of credence to Foreign Minister Goldstein. Mr. Goldstein is to present his credentials to President Ben-Zvi today.

Major Mordechai Ish-Shalom of Jerusalem yesterday received Lord Russell of Liverpool. Lord Russell also visited the Wizo Baby Home in Jerusalem, accompanied by Mrs. Rose Ginzberg, Chairman of World Wizo.

Aluf Ezer Weiszman, O.C.A. Civil Air Force, gave a reception in honour of the visiting envoys of the U.S. Civil Air Patrol and their escorts at the Ramat Aviv Hotel, Tel Aviv. Last night, earlier, Mayor Mordechai Namir of Tel Aviv received the group at his office with the city's emblem. The leader of the group, Lt.-Col. Clarence L. Milton, presented Mr. Namir with a medallion commemorating the centennial of the state of South Dakota, and Chaplain Marvin Morris, also accompanying the group, presented a map of the world with the key to the city of Houston, on behalf of that city's Mayor.

Mr. Yaakov Tsur, President of the Institute for Cultural Relations Israel-Ibero-American, Spain and Portugal, gave a luncheon in honour of Mr. Manuel Mejia Laines, art critic of the newspaper "La Nacion" of Buenos Aires. Among those present were Messrs. Moisés Avidor, Secretary-General of the Jewish Agency; Avraham Dorev, of the Foreign Ministry's Latin American Division; Tuna Arasi, Head of the Foreign Ministry's Public Relations Section; Dr. Y. Ya'acov, Secretary of the Jewish Agency's Foreign Relations Department; Prof. Hanan Klinghofer, Dean of the Hebrew University's Law Faculty; Michael Grauer, Director of the Jewish National Fund's Latin America Division; Aryeh Shuvval, Director of the Office of the Minister of Education and Culture; Yitzhak Raphael Malchik; and Aharon Gafni.

A reception in honour of Dr. Michael Fried, President of Hadassah, was held last night at the home of the Chairman of the J.N.P. Board of Directors and Mrs. Yaakov Tsur in Jerusalem.

Dr. Y. B. Neumann, Director of Medical Affairs of Hamas and Leibnitz Leumi (National Insurance), left for Europe and the U.S. on a five-month study tour, on an I.L.O. scholarship under the auspices of Hamas and Leibnitz Leumi and the Government.

**BIRTHS**

HAIMATMAN — To Batya (née Gravitz) and Amnon, a daughter, at the Asmati Hospital, in Tel Aviv, yesterday (Monday).

**OBITUARY**

ERNST SHLOMIM STEIN The death took place at the age of 80, after a long illness, of Ernst Shloym Stein, of Ramat Hasharon. Deeply mourned by his wife, Flora Stein, and his whole family.

**UNVEILING**

OF TOMBSTONE The unveiling of the tombstone of the late Beadle Ravani will take place today, Tuesday, July 26, 1960, at 12.30 at Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem. Memorial service will have been conducted by the Department of Internal Affairs.

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# POLITICS ON TELEVISION

Viewers Saw Democratic Convention In-the-Round\*

By MEIER BENNEN

**TV** had possibly its biggest audience ever on the night of the last night of the 1960 John F. Kennedy-Kennedy Democratic convention for the Presidency.

There were of course a few Americans who demanded five evenings of convention coverage at the expense of almost all other regular shows, not to mention convention background features presented during the day and most of the preceding weekend. But there was interest in the forthcoming presidential campaign and few people could be heard to remark that they missed "Maverick" or "Shotgun Slade."

Travelling through Kentucky, I found people watching TV for pre-convention development in all areas of politics from the musty offices of a county lawyer to the stoop of a general store; from a clerk's home to that of a millionaire, who entertained guests to dinner with the butler adjusting the TV set. Swimming at the private pool of an industrial concern, I found myself watching Stevenson from the water. The portable TV set was placed at the poolside. All the guests watched, heckled, argued... and listened.

The CBS news TV team headed by Walter Cronkite, Edward R. Murrow and Howard K. Smith, supported by a dozen skilled TV reporters, had their audience broken up by a series of CBS documentaries and interviews with the leading candidates for the nomination. TV also covered their press conferences and those of their supporters. It showed Stevenson introducing Eleanor Roosevelt to the press that she could be a candidate for Kennedy. It showed Kennedy and Truman arguing (separately) as to whether the convention had been "rigged." It showed Johnson, sour, smiling with

an effort, trying to appear genial at the height of the fight. It also showed the very real concern of nearly every speaker in and out of the convention, for what was going on outside America, for the very real dangers that confront not only the U.S. but the whole planet.

This year's convention was held in the new giant Sports Arena in Los Angeles. There were over 5,000 delegates and officials on the "floor" and the pressmen, 5,500 of them outnumbered the voting delegates by more than three to one. The bleachers were packed. The acoustics were awful. Few of the delegates were able to listen to any of the speeches to fire the enthusiasm or catch their imagination. According to veteran Speaker Sam Rayburn, many of the delegates did not know what was going on much of the time. The only people who did, and who could see and hear everyone with absolute clarity, were those watching TV.

**Intimate Asides Caught**

Not only did the nation see and hear the whole of the "convention in-the-round" but also the intimate asides, and afterwords conducted by reporters on the floor and outside the sports arena where negro pickets held noisy demonstrations calling for support of lunch counter "sit-ins" and a strong stand on civil rights. When the Democratic committee came out with a statement supporting the TV cameras cut to its platform Rev. Martin Luther King on the picket line for his reaction to what has been termed the most liberal platform in Democratic party history.

The TV technique is almost deceptively simple. One camera fitted with zoom-in telescopic lenses are placed high up in the galleries all around the arena. The same camera can take in the sweep of one section of the crowd or move in to read

the headlines on a newspaper in a delegate's hand; or to show a speaker, fighting, falling asleep from a seeming distance of only a few feet. If a TV reporter, carrying portable microphone and telephone begins to interview a delegate, the camera "closes in" on both of them while the microphone clearly picks up the conversation.

Thus the viewer is taken from one part of the scene, another from the podium to the balcony, from a fist-fight over a standard on the floor to a tense-faced Senator asking the chair for recognition.

All this is controlled from a master monitoring booth, where sit anchor-men Cronkite and Murrow. While showing a reporter fight his way through to an interview they "call him in," switched through the nearest camera and there you had the talk. At times they prompted the reporter, suggested questions. If something more interesting developed at that particular moment the camera director on the monitor scenes would switch in that particular incident of reaction to it.

The peripatetic camera caught some of the great moments of the convention, moments witnessed by millions of Americans but lost on those who were actually at the convention. It brought out the accusations of the Governor Leroy Collins in controlling the rival conventions; the insanity of the parade of film stars and entertainers presented to the crowds, prominent among them Frank Sinatra and Kennedy's brother-in-law, actor Peter Lawford; the fighting liberalism of California's Pat Brown as he condemned segregation from the podium; and the double-think of Mississippi's Judge Brady who supported the TV cameras cut to his platform called to its platform Rev. Martin Luther King on the picket line for his reaction to what has been termed the most liberal platform in Democratic party history.

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By David Courtney

**LONDON LETTER**

## ISRAEL IS NEWS IN U.K.

A GOOD country is like a good woman: it is not talked about." The Basques have that saying; by which standards Israel is, or ought to be. But that is not the way it should be. Even a good woman feels all the better nowadays for being talked about; and Israel, I imagine, none the worse.

Anyway, even with the sustained and dramatic talking-points provided by the Congo, Rhodesia, U.S. Presidential prospects, Cuba, and incriminating weather (how it rains!), and the pitiful neutrals of the Labour Party, — in spite, I say, of these pre-occupations, Britain's newspapers and book publishers continue to show a quite extraordinary interest in Israel. And people one meets over the dinner table or at parties or at meetings in public places where one meets people in a city like London, are always curious to know more about that improbable State. They ask intelligent questions; and given half a chance are ready to start arguing about it. Israel is, of course, in many ways one of the most unusual countries in the world.

**Against the Current**

The press, and the stream of books on the subject, and the critics who review the books, on the whole are sympathetic to Israel; so much so that Mr. Gilmour in "The Spectator" has thought it necessary to provide in the pages of that fortnightly weekly, a corrective to the "orthodox" and "orthodox" critics. He did an excellent and considerable length and with considerable feeling and in a provocative manner; but it must be added that in the following two issues "The Spectator" published a number of letters which ably defended Israel and Zionism from the charges made against them by Mr. Gilmour.

**Visitors from Israel**

But that is enough about books and newspapers. The room where I am writing this is littered with them. Television may have done all the damage, but it has not stopped the British people from buying ever bigger and bigger newspapers and reading ever more expensive books. Israel gets her full share of attention from both. But that is not all. If you sit in a London bus as like as not you will hear Hebrew words coming from the mouth of the people sitting in the next seat, and if you happen to be sitting with an ordinary Englishman he will no longer turn and say: "What language are those people speaking?" He will know that is Hebrew, just as he is beginning to know that Hungarian is Hungarian; Polish, Polish; and Ghanaian, Ghanaian. London is like nowadays. And if you drop in on the Foreign Office, the typical Cheltenham party where there is wine and little plates of Continental-type food and a gramophone endlessly playing jazz records there, sure enough, you will run into a couple of Israeli painters or musicians, or even ballet dancers. Israel students are all over the place.

**Familiar faces from Jerusalem**

Tel Aviv or Haifa are delightedly recognized at receptions given by the Israel Embassy (where Thackeray once lived and wrote) and at the smaller social gatherings in the homes of Batemans of Bloomsbury. If you are not familiar with the British Government has not had a greater loss of Israeli journalists leaving its service; and the Inter-Parliamentary Union has just had a whom of Kenneth Kaunda led by Mr. Israel, been to see him. He has been party

after party given in honour of the guests and a good many hundreds of Englishmen and their ladies have had the pleasure of being received by that means. In short, one way and another the British are becoming more and more aware of Israel and the Israelis; sympathetically, even admiringly, aware in many instances. There are some Englishmen, of course, who think the process is going a bit too far. It encourages them to feel that Israel is getting too big for her boots. That little country which has defied so many confident predictions; won two wars she should have had the modesty to lose; and not only survives but does so in style — that little country needs taking down a peg or two. And there is always "The Spectator" to do it.

**AT THE CINEMA**

**Stage Hit**

Expresso Bongo was one of the hits of the London stage and in its original version a very amusing but unscrupulous method used to exploit "talent" in this case, a not very bright teen-age crooner, Bongo Herbert. The film version (Hod, Tel Aviv) has also been scripted by the author, Wolf Mankowitz, and it is still very amusing, but most of the cynicism has been dropped.

Bongo is played by Cliff Richards, English teenager-adolescent; who sings and acts and dances and Lawrence Harvey (Romeo at the Top) plays the double-crossing agent with a great deal of dynamism and using a peculiar accent which I understand, is supposed to be "Jewish-theatrical." Sylvia Sims is convincing as the girl friend a strip-tease dancer, and Michael Anderson (Rev. Mr. Anderson) act. I think with great sincerity but they deliver their lines with too much of a bright lad's dash, while Olivier, the role of Bourgoine which must have been written for him, plays for fun. He catches the comedy.

Perhaps it is a mistake to keep the play too closely in mind when watching the film. Considering the latter in itself, it does manage to be a study in rebellion, and taken as romantic melodrama enlivened by Shavian salt, it is entertaining and amusing.

### NATURE NOTES

#### ANIMAL CARE

A Haifa animal lover who works tirelessly in the animal station there and who formerly related many instances showing that the Police will not be bothered now has a very different story to tell. While the notorious answer to complaints: "I have you another trouble, lady," is heard no more, several cases of most effective intervention

of the dog-catcher still grab whatever he can find, without letting common sense and kindless deter him, as when a valuable and obviously cared-for dog has found the garden door wide and is taking the opportunity to go for an unauthorised walk. Not a single policeman rings the bell at six in the morning in houses where he knows there are dogs, and warns: "The dog catcher is coming!"

**Study in Rebellion**

A GOOD deal of water flowed underneath Shaw's umbrella, soaking his clothes (Anneliese) in the introduction to "Three Plays for Puritans." The trouble crowd is attacked the office for reading too much into this play, yet when, in later life, the authorship of his plays



YESTERDAY'S PRESS

### The Jabotinsky Story

COMMENTING on the "nationalization of Ze'ev Jabotinsky" by the memorial gathering at the President's Residence on Sunday, Habib (General) Ezer Weizman hoped that all now wished a reconciliation between the two Zionist conceptions, marking a turning point in mutual regard between their respective exponents. The paper recalls that the Revisionist leader left a double testament, the latter part of which was the hope that when a Jewish state arises, it would order the transfer of his remains to the Jewish Homeland. It is hoped that the Prime Minister will respect the wishes of the people and honour the leader's last request.

**Revealing Close-Ups**

Less than two hours later the convention had nominated Kennedy on the first ballot and a revealing closeup showed Mrs. Roosevelt in tears. The roll-call appeared on the TV screen together with tally of the count for each candidate which was superimposed on the image. CES had already polled the delegates and kept track of all possible shift. There was none.

There were a few furious scenes after the ballot for Kennedy was made unanimous "by acclamation." Southerners who had supported Johnson felt that they had been steamrollered and expressed their feelings on the floor in no uncertain terms.

The scenes that followed followed Kennedy's appearance from his hideout and his entrance to the convention for a tense-dramatic acknowledgement. Both CBS and NBC were by this time interpreting what had happened and to capture his performance, flashing in scenes from the UN Security Council emergency session on the Congo, with moves of the Kishin shooting. The TV men had been on duty for over 10 hours at this particular session.

Next evening they were back on the job for the Vice-Presidential nomination. Kennedy's offer to Johnson caused a noisy southern delegation to sigh with relief. This time it was the Liberals on the floor who were gathered in a vote of acclamation and who expressed their bitter disappointment to the TV reporters. The changing moods of the convention came as the news that a newspaper account could quite express.

Johnson's acceptance speech also a major contribution to the atmosphere of what he said. His expression was determined, his manner more forceful than any other that had been seen on the dramatic podium. He stood proudly at the side of and behind the "next President of the United States, Jack Kennedy."

(This is the first of two articles on television in U.S.)

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